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### **INFORMATIONAL NOTICE**

**TO: Participating Physicians, Pharmacies, Advanced Practice Nurses and Local Health Departments**

**RE: Changes in Policy for Injectable Drugs**

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Effective July 15, 2005, the department will no longer reimburse physicians for Enbrel, Humira, Remicade, Risperdal Consta, Synagis and Xolair. Only enrolled pharmacies will be allowed to submit claims for these drugs. The department will continue to reimburse physicians for the administration of the drugs. Physicians should bill procedure code 99211 when seeking reimbursement for the administration.

The above-named drugs will require prior authorization for dates of service on or after July 15, 2005. Special prior approval requirements for Synagis are outlined below. Prior authorization forms and criteria may be found on the department's Web site at: <http://www.dpaillinois.com/pharmacy/> or <http://www.ildpa.com/pharmacy/>. Prior authorization requests may be submitted by **fax only** to 217-524-7264 or 217-524-0404. Coverage of prescription drugs is limited to products from companies that have signed rebate agreements with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

#### **Special Billing and Prior Approval Requirements for Synagis**

Effective immediately, coverage of Synagis will be limited to the following dates of service, October 1 through April 30, each year. Administration of Synagis, during the period of May 1 through September 30, is considered off-season and not medically necessary.

Please remember, providers wishing to receive e-mail notification, when new provider information has been posted by the department, may register at the following IDPA Web site: <http://www.dpaillinois.com/provrel/> or <http://www.ildpa.com/provrel/>

The department also offers e-mail notification when a new preferred drug list has been posted. You may register at the following IDPA Web site: <http://www.dpaillinois.com/pdl/pdlform.html> or <http://www.ildpa.com/pdl/pdlform.html>

Questions regarding this notice may be directed to the Bureau of Pharmacy Services at 1-877-782-5565.

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